

Fishery Conservation and Management

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Gag grouper, *Mycteroperca microlepis*
Lane snapper, *Lutjanus synagris*
Lemon shark, *Negaprion brevirostris*
Mangrove snapper, *Lutjanus griseus*
Marbled grouper, *Dermatolepis inermis*
Misty grouper, *Epinephelus mystacinus*
Mutton snapper, *Lutjanus analis*
Nurse shark, *Ginglymostoma cirratum*
Queen snapper, *Etelis oculatus*
Red grouper, *Epinephelus morio*
Red hind, *Epinephelus guttatus*
Red snapper, *Lutjanus campechanus*
Rock hind, *Epinephelus adscensionis*
Sand tilefish, *Malacanthus plumieri*
Sandbar shark, *Carcharhinus plumbeus*
Schoolmaster snapper, *Lutjanus apodus*
Silk snapper, *Lutjanus vivanus*
Snowy grouper, *Epinephelus niveatus*
Speckled hind, *Epinephelus drummondhayi*
Spinner shark, *Carcharhinus brevipinna*
Tiger shark, *Galeocerdo cuvieri*
Tilefish, *Lopholatilus chamaeleonticeps*
Vermilion snapper, *Rhomboplites aurorubens*
Warsaw grouper, *Epinephelus nigritus*
Yellowedge grouper, *Epinephelus flavolimbatus*
Yellowfin grouper, *Mycteroperca venenosa*
Yellowtail snapper, *Ocyurus chrysurus*

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PART 640—SPINY LOBSTER FISHERY OF THE GULF OF MEXICO AND SOUTH ATLANTIC

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Subpart A—General Provisions

§ 640.1 Purpose and scope.

(a) The purpose of this part is to implement the Fishery Management Plan for the Spiny Lobster Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic prepared by the South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Councils under the Magnuson-Stevens Act.

(b) This part governs the conservation and management of Caribbean spiny lobster (spiny lobster) in the EEZ in the Atlantic Ocean and Gulf of Mexico off the Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico states from the Virginia/North Carolina border south and through the Gulf of Mexico. This part also governs importation of spiny lobster into any place subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

(c) An owner or operator of a vessel that has legally harvested spiny lobsters in the waters of a foreign nation and possesses spiny lobster, or separated tails, in the EEZ incidental to such foreign harvesting is exempt from the requirements of this part 640, except for § 640.27 with which such an owner or operator must comply, provided proof of lawful harvest in the waters of a foreign nation accompanies such lobsters or tails.

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§ 640.2 Definitions.

In addition to the definitions in the Magnuson-Stevens Act and in § 620.2 of this chapter, the terms used in this part have the following meanings:

Bully net means a circular frame attached at right angles to the end of a pole and supporting a conical bag of webbing. The webbing is usually held up by means of a cord which is released when the net is dropped over a lobster.

Carapace length means the measurement of the carapace (head, body, or front section) of a spiny lobster from the anteriormost edge (front) of the groove between the horns directly above the eyes, along the middorsal line (middle of the back), to the rear